

TO: AMWG members
FROM: Ad Hoc Committee on the Strategic Plan
CC: TWG members
DATE: June 9, 2000
RE: Recommended action on the Strategic Plan for the July AMWG meeting

Attached you will find the updated Strategic Plan. It combines the new draft Management Objectives into one document with the Vision/Mission statement, the Principles, the Goals, and the Glossary. These are for your consideration for the July AMWG meeting.

The Strategic Plan Ad Hoc Committee was assigned several tasks at the 20-21 January 2000 AMWG meeting. The following motions were approved:

MOTION: Interim approval of the goals document as presented, with the exception of Goal 12, and the following changes:

- a. Goal 15 - the word "revenue" is changed to "funding"
- b. Glossary, page 8, "Reasonable and Prudent Alternative" and "Reasonable and Prudent Measure:" remove the word [Regional].
- c. Glossary, page 9, "Removal of Jeopardy" next to last line, replace "done" with "intended to be accomplished,"

and that the ad hoc committee on Strategic Planning consider adding new language as follows:

- d. "Enhance" opportunities for Indian Tribes in the GCD AMP.
- e. GCD and its operation provide regulation of the flow of the Colorado River and storage of water for beneficial consumptive use.

MOTION: To tentatively approve [a new] goal 12: "Cultural resources within the river corridor shall be preserved, protected, managed, and treated for inspiration and benefit of past, present, and future generations."

MOTION: That the Ad Hoc Committee on Strategic Planning be charged by AMWG to do the following:

- a. produce the first draft of MOs for the TWG
- b. obtain comments on that draft from the TWG
- c. incorporate TWG comments into a second draft and revise Goals and Objectives as necessary.
- d. meet with the TWG to review revised Goals and MOs and responses to comments, and make any further needed revisions, and
- e. present the MOs to the AMWG spring meeting for approval.

The committee has accomplished these tasks and you can review the results in the attached updated Strategic Plan. In addition, the committee made the following changes from the draft that was given interim approval at the January meeting:

- a. Proposed amendment to Principle 6 (change is highlighted on the attached copy).
- b. Proposed amendments to Goals 1, 4, 6, 8, and 12 (changes are highlighted on the attached copy).
- c. Merging of Goals 14 and 15 with Goal 13.
- d. Development of draft Management Objectives.

At the July meeting, you will be asked to validate that the Goals, as modified, will help us approach the Vision/Mission. At the January meeting you provisionally approved the Goals, but acknowledged

that their meaning would become clearer with the MOs arrayed beneath them. This is your opportunity to review, once again, whether the Goals are appropriate for the Vision/Mission that you have approved.

You will also be asked to approve the draft of the Management Objectives, if you feel that as a group they are sufficient to achieve the Goals and the Vision/Mission. You will have another opportunity for input and approval of MOs at a future date when the current and target levels are completed.

Please review the “Recommended Action by AMWG,” below. This is the Ad Hoc Committee’s recommendation to you for action at the July meeting.

You will note that there are many Information Needs (INs) in the MOs document, both in the “Current Level” and “Target Level” columns. Some of these INs will be able to be completed fairly easily; others will become part of the workplan for the GCMRC. If you approve recommendation #4, below, charging the Ad Hoc Committee to continue the development of the Strategic Plan, the differentiation between those kinds of INs will be part of your charge to that committee.

Because of the Low Steady Summer Flows experiment that is proceeding this summer, the GCMRC staff will be unavailable to work on the Strategic Plan until sometime this fall. However, it is our goal to have the AMP Strategic Plan completed and approved no later than July 2001.

Recommended Action by AMWG

The Ad Hoc Committee for Strategic Planning recommends that the AMWG:

1. Approve the proposed changes to Goals 1, 4, 6, 8, and 12 and to Principle 6.
2. Validate that the Goals are each necessary and as a group, sufficient, to achieve the Vision/Mission.
3. Approve the MOs: validate that the MOs, when the target and current levels are determined, are each necessary and as a group, sufficient, to achieve the Goals and the Vision/Mission.
4. Charge the ad hoc committee with facilitating the following:
 - A. Work with GCMRC, the TWG, and experts both within and outside the AMP to:
 - i. complete metrics (define what we will measure) for all Management Objectives; and
 - ii. complete current condition levels and proposed target levels for Management Objectives, as far as is possible.
 - B. Continue developing the AMP Strategic Plan.
 - C. Work with GCMRC staff to complete the first draft of the Information Needs and Management Actions.
 - D. Develop a process for prioritization of INs.
 - E. Obtain and respond to TWG comments on all these documents and modify as appropriate.
 - F. Obtain concurrence on the metrics, current condition and target levels, draft Strategic Plan, prioritization process, and draft INs and MAs from the TWG.
 - G. Present to the AMWG for action.